DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Federal Highway Administration

Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition for Federal and Federally-Assisted Programs; Fixed Payment for Moving Expenses; Residential Moves

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to publish changes in the Fixed

Residential Moving Cost Schedule for the States and Territories of Alabama, California,

Colorado, District of Columbia, Florida, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Louisiana,

Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, North Dakota,

Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Utah, Virginia, Wisconsin, and

Wyoming as provided for by section 202(b) of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and

Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended. The schedule amounts for

the States and Territories not listed above remain unchanged. The Uniform Act applies

to all programs or projects undertaken by Federal agencies or with Federal financial

assistance that cause the displacement of any person.

DATES: The provisions of this notice are effective [Federal Register insert 30 days after publication], or on such earlier date as an agency elects to begin operating under this schedule.

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Background

The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition

Policies Act of 1970, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4601-4655 (Uniform Act), established a

program, which includes the payment of moving and related expenses, to assist persons
who move because of Federal or federally assisted projects. The FHWA is the lead
agency for implementing the provisions of the Uniform Act, and has issued
governmentwide implementing regulations at 49 CFR part 24.

The following 17 Federal departments and agencies have, by cross-reference, adopted the governmentwide regulations: Department of Agriculture; Department of Commerce; Department of Defense; Department of Education; Department of Energy; Department of Homeland Security; Environmental Protection Agency; Federal Emergency Management Agency; General Services Administration; Department of

Health and Human Services; Department of Housing and Urban Development;

Department of the Interior; Department of Justice; Department of Labor; Department of Veterans Affairs; National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Tennessee Valley Authority.

Section 202(b) of the Uniform Act provides that as an alternative to being paid for actual residential moving and related expenses, a displaced individual or family may elect payment for moving expenses on the basis of a moving expense schedule established by the head of the lead agency. The governmentwide regulations at 49 CFR 24.302 provide that the FHWA will develop, approve, maintain, and update this schedule, as appropriate.

The purpose of this notice is to update the schedule published on May 23, 2012, at 77 FR 30586.

The schedule is being updated to reflect the increased costs associated with moving personal property and was developed from data provided by State highway agencies. This update increases the schedule amounts in the States and Territories of Alabama, California, Colorado, District of Columbia, Florida, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Utah, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. The schedule amounts for the States and Territories not listed above remain unchanged. The payments listed in the table below apply on a State-by-State basis. Two exceptions and limitations apply to all States and Territories. Payment is limited to \$100.00 if either of the following conditions applies:

(a) A person has minimal possessions and occupies a dormitory style room, or

(b) A person's residential move is performed by an agency at no cost to the

person.

The schedule continues to be based on the "number of rooms of furniture" owned

by a displaced individual or family. In the interest of fairness and accuracy, and to

encourage the use of the schedule (and thereby simplify the computation and payment of

moving expenses), an agency should increase the room count for the purpose of applying

the schedule if the amount of possessions in a single room or space actually constitutes

more than the normal contents of one room of furniture or other personal property. For

example, a basement may count as two rooms if the equivalent of two rooms worth of

possessions is located in the basement. In addition, an agency may elect to pay for items

stored outside the dwelling unit by adding the appropriate number of rooms.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4622(b) and 4633(b); 49 CFR 1.85 and 24.302.

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Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended Fixed Residential Moving Cost Schedule (2015) **Occupant owns furniture** Occupant does not own Number of rooms of furniture furniture room/ addt'l addt'l no room State 2 rooms 3 rooms 4 rooms 5 rooms 6 rooms 7 rooms 8 rooms room no furn. furn. room Alabama Alaska American Samoa Arizona Arkansas California Colorado Connecticut Delaware DC

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Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended Fixed Residential Moving Cost Schedule (2015) **Occupant owns furniture** Occupant does not own Number of rooms of furniture furniture 1 room/ addt'l addt'l no room State 2 rooms 3 rooms 4 rooms 5 rooms 6 rooms 7 rooms 8 rooms no furn. room furn. room Wyoming 800 1670 540 870 1020 1170 1325 1500 200 370 60

Exceptions: 1. The payment to a person with minimal possession who is in occupancy of a dormitory style room or whose residential move is performed by an agency at no cost to the person is limited to \$100.00

2. An occupant will be paid on an actual cost basis for moving his or her mobile home from the displacement site. In addition, a reasonable payment to the occupant for packing and securing property for the move may be paid at the agency's discretion.

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